

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

LAMONT ELLISON,

*Petitioner,*

v.

MARK GARMAN, *et al.*,

*Respondents.*

CIVIL ACTION  
NO. 16-0775

**ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 31st day of October, 2017, upon consideration of the Petition for a Writ of *Habeas Corpus* and accompanying Memorandum of Law, (ECF Nos. 1 & 7), Respondents' Response in Opposition, (ECF No. 18), the Report and Recommendation of U.S. Magistrate Judge Marilyn Heffley, (ECF No. 19), and Ellison's Objections, (ECF No. 28), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Ellison's objections are **OVERRULED** and Magistrate Judge Heffley's Report and Recommendation is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**;
2. Ellison's Petition for a Writ of *Habeas Corpus* is **DENIED** and **DISMISSED with prejudice**;
3. No certificate of appealability shall issue;<sup>1</sup>
4. This case shall be **CLOSED** for statistical purposes.

BY THE COURT:

**/s/ Gerald J. Pappert**  
GERALD J. PAPPERT, J.

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<sup>1</sup> Reasonable jurists would not debate the Court's disposition of petitioner's claims. *See Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000).